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Dear Dean Wellington:

In light of our recent conversation, I believe it would be in the best interests of our respective institutions for the Agency to cancel its recruiting trip to Yale Law School this Fall. I am simply not prepared at this time to have the Yale Law School perform a substantive review of the security clearance standards of the United States Government.

While for the moment I do not want to press the recruitment issue, I may desire to revisit it with you and other faculty members in the future. I fervently believe that it would not be in the best interests of this Nation or the Yale Law School to deny to those exceptionally talented law students graduating from Yale the opportunity to serve their Nation as a member of this extremely important agency of the United States Government. It is indeed ironic that those critical of the Agency would seek to prevent the Agency from recruiting the kind of first-rate legal talent necessary to provide effective legal oversight and counselling for the conduct of intelligence activities in the modern world.

Although we will not recruit on campus this year, we will, of course, welcome Yale law students to apply to us for permanent employment or participation in our summer legal intern program.

Sincerely,

Stanley Sporkin